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**In the Specification**

Replace the paragraph under "Related Applications" (page 1, beginning on line 4) with the following paragraph:

This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/812,528, filed March 20, 2001, entitled "STIMULATION OF HEMATOPOIETIC CELLS IN VITRO," pending, which is a continuation of U.S. Patent application Serial No. 09/162,934, filed September 29, 1998, entitled "STIMULATION OF HEMATOPOIETIC CELLS IN VITRO," now U.S. Patent No. 6,258,597, issued July 10, 2001, which claims priority under U.S.C. §119(e) from U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/060,306, filed September 29, 1997, entitled "STIMULATION OF HEMATOPOIETIC CELLS IN VITRO." The entire contents of all afore-mentioned applications are incorporated herein by reference.